

# Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership

## FACT SHEET – Prostate Cancer Task Force

*A Sky Blue  
Ribbon for  
Prostate Cancer  
Awareness*



### Comprehensive Cancer control ...

“An integrated and coordinated approach to reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality through prevention, early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation.”

– Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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The Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership is the group of diverse stakeholders who are working together to implement the *Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan*. The plan serves as a framework to guide the efforts of the Partnership. The plan consists of a broad set of goals, objectives, and strategies for reducing the cancer burden in Washington.

### Washington State Prostate Cancer Task Force

The Washington State Prostate Cancer Task Force is a plan implementation work group of the Partnership. The Task Force is working to achieve the *Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan* goal and objective for prostate cancer:

#### Goal

Improve informed decision-making between men and their providers regarding prostate cancer screening.

#### Objective

By 2008, increase the number of men who have talked with their provider about screening for prostate cancer.

*Baseline: To be established. Data source: BRFSS.*

The Task Force will achieve its goal and objective by:

- Conducting patient and provider assessments
- Utilizing data and research to develop interventions
- Using a coordinated and integrated approach

### Membership

Membership is open to interested individuals and organizations.

### Funding

The Task Force is funded through a federal grant to the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program at the Washington State Department of Health. The grant currently provides \$200,000 in funding per year through June 2007. Funding supports a project coordinator, other professional staff, and the implementation activities of the Task Force.

*The burden of cancer can be reduced through effective prevention, early detection, and quality cancer care.*